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SUBJECT: SAG APPROVES RETURN OF U.S.-ORIGIN SPENT FUEL

Department of Minerals and Energy Directorate Nuclear Safety official Ditebogo Kgomo informed Energy Officer on January 15 that the SAG cabinet approved the recommendations of the feasibility study on participation in the Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel Acceptance Program and repatriation of the spent fuel back to the U.S. This cable provides formal notification to DOE. According to the study, the next step would be for DOE National Nuclear Security Administration to send a technical team to South Africa. Embassy is pleased that this key and long-awaited bilateral cooperation step is proceeding.

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